TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Western New York Stress Reduction Program, the MMRS Emergency Mental Health Subcommittee, the Specialized Medical Assistance Response Team, and the Erie County Department of Mental Health are pleased to announce the following 2-day course:

GROUP CRISIS INTERVENTION

Dates: Friday March 8th, 2019 & Saturday March 9th, 2019

Time: 8:30am - 4:30pm both days

Location: Erie County Emergency Services Training & Operations Center (Fire Training Academy)

3359 Broadway

Cheektowaga, New York 14227

This is an International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) developed curriculum. Advantages of attending are:

- Participants will learn how to provide group crisis intervention using proven methods
- Participants will receive a certificate of completion from the ICISF
- Participants will receive continuing education credits from the University of Maryland at Baltimore
- This course is required for persons pursuing the ICISF Certificate of Advanced Training

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- To increase awareness of key terms and concepts relevant to the practice of crisis intervention and disaster mental health intervention.
- To become familiar with relevant research findings and recommendations for practice.
- To understand the nature and importance of incident assessment and strategic intervention planning.
- To understand the nature of the "resistance, resilience, recovery" continuum and the role of the integrated, multi-component, Critical Incident Stress Management system (CISM).
- To become familiar with large group crisis interventions:
 - -Rest, Information & Transition Service (RITS; formerly called Demobilization)
 - -Crisis Management Briefings
- To become familiar with small group crisis interventions:
 - -Defusing
 - -Critical Incident Stress Debriefing (CISD)
 - -Small Group Crisis Management Briefing (sCMB)
- To become familiar with risks of adverse outcome associated with crisis intervention and how to reduce those risks.

Presenter: Bonita S. Frazer, MS, CTS, FAAETS is the former Mental Health Emergency Planning Coordinator for Erie County. Through professional and volunteer venues, she has provided crisis intervention and critical incident stress management services to survivors of critical incidents & disasters, and to emergency personnel who respond to these events. Bonita is a volunteer for the Western New York Stress Reduction Program, the Specialized Medical Assistance Response Team and the Canine Therapy Teams of Western New York. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Association of Traumatic Stress Specialists.

Please do not register if you cannot commit to attending both days in their entirety. Registration is limited to 30 persons. Only persons who are registered by 8:30am and stay until 4:30pm both days will receive credit for the course and a certificate of completion.

Lunch will be provided both days.

Questions about registration can be directed to Cheryl Kennedy at 716-864-8101 or via email at clkennedy72@yahoo.com

Questions about the curriculum can be directed to Bonita Frazer at 716-235-7565 or via email at bonitafrazer@yahoo.com

REGISTRATION FORM GROUP CRISIS INTERVENTION

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Persons who are interested in attending the training must complete the registration form and send the appropriate payment. Please complete a new registration form for each registrant. Registrations will be handled on a first come, first serve basis. *All registrants will be notified whether or not they have been accepted into the class*. REGISTRATION CLOSES ON FRIDAY MARCH 1ST, 2019 AT 4:30PM.

Two-Day Course Fee Schedule: \$80.00 USD

PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE MARCH 1ST, 2019 DEADLINE and can be made by personal check, business check, money order or purchase order payable to Western New York Stress Reduction Program Inc. Cancellations received by March 1st will be accepted and the check returned or destroyed. For all others, payment will be retained for costs already accrued from your initial registration.

NOTE: This training session is a prerequisite for anyone wishing to take the Advanced Group Crisis Intervention course scheduled April 12th & 13th, 2019

Please *LEGIBLY PRINT* your name exactly as you would like it to appear on your certificate of completion, and complete all sections listed below.

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Please submit the completed form to Cheryl Kennedy via mail or email:

Address: 7118 Michael Road, Orchard Park, New York 14127

Phone: 716-864-8101

Email: clkennedy72@yahoo.com

PLEASE NOTE: If you submit your registration via mail, please email Cheryl Kennedy at <u>clkennedy72@yahoo.com</u> to inform her that your registration(s) will be forthcoming.

Should you need to cancel, please notify Cheryl Kennedy as soon as possible so that we may fill your slot with another registrant.